## "LETTING YOU KNOW"

The Illinois Department of Transportation is interested in maintaining close communications with industry. This newsletter highlights subjects which we believe will be of interest to you.

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# CONTRACTOR PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS

On December 1, 2005 the districts began entering Contractor Performance Evaluations from the 2005 construction season into the Average Weighted Performance database. These include evaluations from IDOT contracts and Local Agency evaluations for all federal, state and MFT-funded projects where prequalification of bidders is required. The districts should distribute these evaluations to contractors and allow an opportunity to review and comment. These evaluations are utilized to calculate a Performance Factor which is used when calculating the contractors work ratings.

## IDOT PROFILE EQUIPMENT VERIFICATION (PEV) PROGRAM

The Bureau of Materials and Physical Research, in conjunction with the Bureau of Construction, recently instituted the IDOT Profile Equipment Verification (PEV) program. The PEV program was established to address changes to the Special Provision for Surface Testing of Pavements that were made effective as of the August 5, 2005 letting. These changes require any Contractor on a project using this Special Provision to verify their profile equipment through the PEV program. This also applies to equipment used by a Subcontractor on the project.

The 2006 PEV program will be held at the Rantoul Airport, with tentative scheduling for the weeks of April 24 and May 1, 2006. Participants in last year's trial program will need to have their profile equipment re-verified (this is an annual program). If you or a Subcontractor has profile equipment to be verified, please contact either of the following individuals for scheduling. NO WALK UPS WILL BE ALLOWED

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### **BIDS NOT READ**

Bidders are reminded that their bids must be fully and correctly completed to be considered. An incomplete proposal is not responsive and will not be read. Two areas that repeatedly cause problems are paragraph K. Apprenticeship and Training Certification on page 9 (applies to state-funded projects only) and the Qualification and Equipment Inventory Certification Form, pages 9A-9H (applies to Set-Aside projects only).

If these forms are not completed, when applicable, the bid will not be read.

If you have any questions regarding these forms, or how to complete the proposal, please contact Jim Duncan at 217-782-7806.

#### STAY INFORMED!

Keep in touch with your representative on the IDOT/Industry Policy Committee and IDOT/Industry Joint Co-op Committee.